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wall of a wellbore into sealing contact with  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir/Madam:

Introductory Comments

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 17, 2005.